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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified, enclosed patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 4, 5 and 10 as shown below.

Claim 4, line 1, delete "2 or 3,".

Claim 5, line 1, delete "any of the claims 1 to 4" and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 10, line 1, delete "or 9".